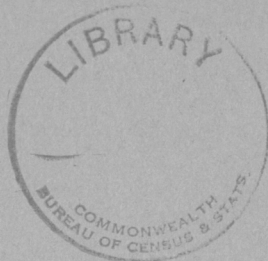


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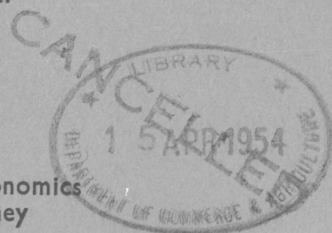


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Period	Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) *			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) *	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
Year :						
1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,838	28,327	12,344
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,976	29,676	15,415
1948-49	721.4†	269.9†	991.3†	8,133	33,117	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,576r
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	15,090	23,156	26,504r
1952 : Oct.	730.3	263.6	993.9	} 15,729 {	1,553	} 6,795r {
Nov.	728.8	264.0	992.8		1,780	
Dec.	727.1	264.5	991.6		1,841	
1953 : Jan.	723.9	262.3	986.2	} 14,241 {	1,736	} 6,721r {
Feb.	728.6	265.2	993.8		2,175	
Mar.	731.8	266.4	998.2		2,457	
Apr.	732.3	266.8	999.1	} 15,456 {	2,215	} 6,406r {
May	734.1	266.6	1,000.7		2,132	
June	734.3	266.2	1,000.5		2,416	
July	733.0	266.8	999.8	} 15,654 {	2,738	} 6,262r {
Aug.	733.3	268.1	1,001.4		2,831	
Sept.	735.4	269.7	1,005.1		2,924	
Oct.	740.0	272.2	1,012.2	} n.y.a. {	3,083	} 7,764 {
Nov.	745.0	276.7	1,021.7		2,731	
Dec.	747.8	278.8	1,026.6		2,638	
1954 : Jan.	748.1	277.0	1,025.1		2,108	

Table No. :-	31.	37.		41.		43.
Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year :						
1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.6	448.6	243.7	319.1
1952 : Oct.	21,550	18.4	24.1	395.0	268.9	312.8
Nov.	19,455	15.1	26.9	409.4	266.1	312.2
Dec.	13,433	14.9	26.4	424.1	258.9	312.3
1953 : Jan.	11,267	19.3	19.8	434.1	246.5	311.8
Feb.	18,820	17.7	22.0	448.9	243.5	312.7
Mar.	17,849	18.0	28.6	461.0	238.4	313.8
Apr.	6,169	19.4	22.2	466.3	238.4	313.3
May	10,095	16.5	20.1	457.7	237.6	312.7
June	12,548	15.4	21.9	448.6	243.7	319.1
July	453	21.7	21.5	437.0	252.2	320.4
Aug.	2,208	19.4	12.3	432.1	250.0	322.6
Sept.	19,594	21.3	17.6	435.0	256.3	325.2
Oct.	19,593	19.9	25.6	445.7	267.7	325.8
Nov.	18,447	20.4	26.5	462.0	274.8	326.2
Dec.	11,501	23.8	26.0	477.3	272.8	327.7
1954 : Jan.	11,212	24.5	19.0	483.5	261.5	329.4

\* See notes to relevant table.  
restrictions.

† May, 1949 ; June affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power

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14.		18.	23.	23.	23.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196	1,948	1,168**	1938-39: Year
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312**	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343**	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,666	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1951-52
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,290	5,077	1,846	1952-53
22.4	1,606	4,516	1,459	415	162	Oct.: 1952
22.2	1,491	4,667	1,273	400	151	Nov.
23.0	1,405	4,792	1,019	413	148	Dec.
22.1	1,322	3,267	842	394	153	Jan.: 1953
21.5	1,395	3,879	1,186	387	141	Feb.
24.0	1,571	4,661	1,228	439	160	Mar.
22.7	1,402	4,220	1,062	420	155	Apr.
22.8	1,430	4,494	1,028	463	168	May
24.5	1,517	4,320	1,075	480	168	June
22.1	1,794	5,299	1,426	494	184	July
24.0	1,679	4,305	1,345	491	183	Aug.
22.4	1,700	5,386	1,353	456	167	Sept.
22.7	1,638	5,663	1,351r	469	184	Oct.
24.1	1,636	5,788	1,352r	478	178	Nov.
22.6	1,455	6,057	924r	474	163	Dec.
22.8	1,459	3,925	922p	451	176	Jan.: 1954

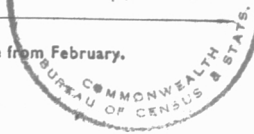
42.	46.	47.	52.	54.	55.	Table No.
Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total " C " Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81++	1938-39: Year
58	240.0	57,899	143	1182	108++	1946-47
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114++	1947-48
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124++	1948-49
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135++	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173++	1950-51
157	301.0	179,581	300	2140	216++	1951-52
152	253.1	143,909	320r	2327	238++	1952-53
153	249.0	13,135	314	} 2312 {	235	Oct.: 1952
160	247.6	9,194	313		237	Nov.
174	246.7	11,429	320r		237	Dec.
125	253.6	9,951	318	} 2338 {	237	Jan.: 1953
156	255.0	11,630	316r		238	Feb.
162	255.6	13,072	317r		238	Mar.
150	252.5	12,519	322r	} 2360 {	238	Apr.
157	251.9	14,189	320		241	May
160	254.4	13,418	321		241	June
164	258.0	15,631	325r	} 2388 {	241	July
146	262.7	14,395	335		243	Aug.
168	264.4	15,614	333		243	Sept.
168	261.7	14,930	329P	} 2385 {	243	Oct.
173	261.0	15,004	321p		243	Nov.
186	264.1	15,070	317p		243	Dec.
152	271.6	13,594	317p		243	Jan.: 1954

|| Year ended 31st December, 1939.

\*\* Year ended 31st May.

†† Operative from February.

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## 2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1945: June	24.5	214.8	32.5	85.2	11.3	24.3	30.1	45.4	536.0
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1948: June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7	702.3
1950: June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2	740.8
1951: June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8	47.9	51.0	67.2	758.2
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: June	30.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
1952: Aug.	32.1	268.0	71.5	115.1	21.9	45.9	48.1	66.5	741.1
Sept.	32.3	265.3	69.6	113.6	21.9	46.2	47.9	66.3	735.3
Oct.	32.3	265.4	66.3	112.2	21.8	46.6	47.9	66.4	730.3
Nov.	32.0	264.7	64.5	112.6	21.8	46.6	48.8	66.3	728.8
Dec.	31.7	263.9	62.9	112.7	22.0	46.5	49.8	66.3	727.1
1953: Jan.	31.6	265.0	60.1	112.9	22.0	46.3	48.7	66.6	723.9
1953: Aug.	30.7	272.3	62.4	113.0	22.0	46.4	48.7	66.9	733.3
Sept.	30.6	274.0	62.7	112.7	22.0	47.0	48.7	66.9	735.4
Oct.	30.6	276.7	63.3	113.0	21.8	47.7	49.1	67.0	740.0
Nov.	30.6	278.6	63.9	113.0	21.8	48.0	50.8	67.4	745.0
Dec.	30.6	279.1	64.2	113.2	22.0	47.8	52.5	67.6	747.8
1954: Jan.	30.6	279.8	64.5	114.0	22.0	48.1	50.5	67.9	748.1
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1945: June	0.2	86.9	0.7	14.5	10.7	10.3	37.5	69.8	247.9
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3	242.3
1948: June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6	261.9
1950: June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1	278.5
1951: June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.9	83.9	291.0
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
1952: Aug.	0.3	82.2	1.8	15.2	14.4	15.1	41.5	82.9	265.3
Sept.	0.4	81.5	1.9	14.9	14.2	15.4	41.1	82.5	263.8
Oct.	0.4	82.3	1.7	14.5	14.2	15.3	41.0	82.6	263.6
Nov.	0.3	82.7	1.8	14.3	14.1	15.5	41.5	82.1	264.0
Dec.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.0	14.1	15.1	43.8	82.3	264.5
1953: Jan.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.1	14.3	15.1	41.5	82.1	262.3
1953: Aug.	0.3	87.1	1.8	13.9	14.2	15.5	41.4	82.2	268.1
Sept.	0.3	88.3	1.8	13.9	14.2	15.6	41.5	82.4	269.7
Oct.	0.3	90.4	1.9	13.9	14.1	15.8	41.8	82.6	272.2
Nov.	0.3	91.6	1.9	13.9	14.2	16.0	44.4	82.9	276.7
Dec.	0.3	91.4	1.9	13.8	14.4	15.8	46.6	83.0	278.8
1954: Jan.	0.3	91.2	1.9	13.9	14.6	15.9	44.7	82.9	277.0
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1*	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1945: June	24.7	301.7	33.2	99.7	22.0	34.6	67.6	115.2	783.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1948: June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3	964.2
1950: June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3	1,019.3
1951: June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7	63.9	96.9	151.1	1,049.2
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
1952: Aug.	32.4	350.2	73.3	130.3	36.3	61.0	89.6	149.4	1,006.4
Sept.	32.7	346.8	71.5	128.5	36.1	61.6	89.0	148.8	999.1
Oct.	32.7	347.7	68.0	126.7	36.0	61.9	88.9	149.0	993.9
Nov.	32.3	347.4	66.3	126.9	35.9	62.1	90.3	148.4	992.8
Dec.	32.0	345.5	64.6	126.7	36.1	61.6	93.6	148.6	991.6
1953: Jan.	31.9	346.6	61.8	127.0	36.3	61.4	90.2	148.7	986.2
1953: Aug.	31.0	359.4	64.2	126.9	36.2	61.9	90.1	149.1	1,001.4
Sept.	30.9	362.3	64.5	126.6	36.2	62.6	90.2	149.3	1,005.1
Oct.	30.9	367.1	65.2	126.9	35.9	63.5	90.9	149.6	1,012.2
Nov.	30.9	370.2	65.8	126.9	36.0	64.0	95.2	150.3	1,021.7
Dec.	30.9	370.5	66.1	127.0	36.4	63.6	99.1	150.6	1,026.6
1954: Jan.	30.9	371.0	66.4	127.9	36.6	64.0	95.2	150.8	1,025.1

\* Including miscellaneous groups (70,700 males, 11,600 females, 82,300 persons in January, 1954) not shown in the table.  
 † From July, 1949, subject to revision.  
 ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.



### 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	169.0	697.9
1943 : June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945 : June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951 : June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952 : Feb.	209.6	42.2	251.8	554.2	242.9	797.1	763.8	285.1	1,048.9
Mar.	210.5	42.1	252.6	553.6	240.3	793.9	764.1	282.4	1,046.5
Apr.	212.5	42.2	254.7	548.4	234.9	783.3	760.9	277.1	1,038.0
May	213.7	42.0	255.7	542.7	232.3	775.0	756.4	274.3	1,030.7
June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
July	214.3	41.8	256.1	533.9	226.1	760.0	748.2	267.9	1,016.1
Aug.	213.1	41.3	254.4	528.0	224.0	752.0	741.1	265.3	1,006.4
Sept.	211.5	40.6	252.1	523.2	223.2	747.0	735.3	263.8	999.1
Oct.	207.1	39.8	246.9	523.2	223.8	747.0	730.3	263.6	993.9
Nov.	205.5	39.6	245.1	523.3	224.4	747.7	728.8	264.0	992.8
Dec.	205.0	39.0	244.0	522.1	225.5	747.6	727.1	264.5	991.6
1953 : Jan.	201.3	39.0	240.3	522.6	223.3	745.9	723.9	262.3	986.2
Feb.	203.7	39.6	243.3	524.9	225.6	750.5	728.6	265.2	993.8
Mar.	205.0	39.4	244.4	526.8	227.0	753.8	731.8	266.4	998.2
Apr.	205.4	39.3	244.7	526.9	227.5	754.4	732.3	266.8	999.1
May	206.3	39.3	245.6	527.8	227.3	755.1	734.1	266.6	1,000.7
June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
July	206.4	39.4	245.8	526.6	227.4	754.0	733.0	266.8	999.8
Aug.	206.2	39.3	245.5	527.1	228.8	755.9	733.3	268.1	1,001.4
Sept.	206.2	39.2	245.4	529.2	230.5	759.7	735.4	269.7	1,005.1
Oct.	206.2	39.0	245.2	533.8	233.2	767.0	740.0	272.2	1,012.2
Nov.	207.2	39.0	246.2	537.8	237.7	775.5	745.0	276.7	1,021.7
Dec.	207.9	38.9	246.8	539.9	239.9	779.8	747.8	278.8	1,026.6
1954 : Jan.	207.2	38.9	246.1	540.9	238.1	779.0	748.1	277.0	1,025.1

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

### 4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month									
Industrial Group	Males			Females			Persons		
	1953		1954	1953		1954	1953		1954
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Building Materials ...	12,295	12,370	12,411	1,170	1,166	1,200	13,465	13,536	13,611
Basic Metals ...	27,584	27,999	28,094	986	990	1,019	28,570	28,989	29,113
Transportation Equipment ...	16,316	16,409	16,531	1,112	1,106	1,154	17,428	17,515	17,685
Other Metal Manufacture ...	37,063	37,049	37,414	7,851	8,011	8,060	44,914	45,060	45,474
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	6,359	6,485	6,536	1,841	1,869	1,899	8,200	8,354	8,435
Clothing and Textiles ...	11,873	11,921	11,993	19,097	19,358	19,684	30,970	31,279	31,671
Food ...	9,782	10,086	10,208	4,725	4,788	4,864	14,507	14,874	15,072
All Other ...	20,502	20,655	20,728	6,582	6,567	6,597	27,084	27,222	27,325
Total—All Groups ...	141,774	142,974	143,855	43,364	43,855	44,477	185,138	186,829	188,332
Excluding Food ...	131,992	132,888	133,647	38,639	39,067	39,613	170,631	171,955	173,260

### 5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡			
				1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1945-46	4,966	6.57									
1946-47	5,838	6.81									
1947-48	6,976	7.73	Sept. Qr.	10,024	13,387	14,934	15,654	10.27	13.26	15.23	16.01
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Dec. Qr.	11,233	14,988	15,729		11.37	14.75	16.24	
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Mar. Qr.	11,413	14,083	14,241		11.41	13.94	14.70	
1950-51	11,385	11.46	June Qr.	12,869	14,998	15,456		12.78	15.02	15.84	
1951-52	14,364	14.24									
1952-53	15,090	15.50									

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

### 6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Year : 1947-48	3,234	282	3,516	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	2,092	165	2,257	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50 ‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953: February	5,350	864	6,214	382,754	56,267	6,041	445,062
March	4,408	687	5,095	279,086	48,812	4,312	332,210
April	4,036	590	4,626	234,925	48,066	4,117	287,108
May	5,169	814	5,983	248,784	61,652	8,113	318,549
June	4,097	699	4,796	241,222	64,042	9,346	314,610
July	4,038	810	4,848	205,482	57,018	14,768	277,268
August	3,704	716	4,420	176,731	55,419	13,429	245,579
September	2,062	415	2,477	168,961	61,456	12,915	243,332
October	1,641	369	2,010	144,078	58,855	11,673	214,606
November	876	285	1,161	102,690	54,263	11,174	168,127
December	1,200	264	1,464	89,409	75,479	14,756	179,644
1954: January	1,818	332	2,150	77,149	51,238	7,802	136,189
February	1,041	296	1,337	78,232	53,595	7,830	139,657

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

### 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons		
1952: December	21,594	3,524	25,118	2,805	512	28,435
1953: January	20,503	3,150	23,653	3,211	505	27,369
February	17,667	3,200	20,867	3,241	480	24,588
March	14,948	2,854	17,802	3,429	388	21,619
April	14,040	2,831	16,871	2,978	720	20,569
May	12,850	2,501	15,351	3,351	735	19,437
June	12,044	2,585	14,629	3,413	1,074	19,116
July	11,541	2,755	14,296	3,509	1,081	18,886
August	9,790	2,432	12,222	3,603	893	16,718
September	8,008	1,967	9,975	3,633	893	14,501
October	5,385	1,685	7,070	3,479	837	11,386
November	4,254	1,405	5,659	3,483	803	9,945
December	4,393	1,349	5,742	3,219	759	9,720
1954: January	4,309	1,280	5,589	3,124	752	9,465
February	3,327	1,118	4,445	3,274	753	8,472

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953p	813	279	154	433	463	312	775
1953 : February	84	18	4	22	31	14	45
March	104	30	6	36	61	7	68
April	88	41	24	65	61	56	117
May	73	52	6	58	71	14	85
June	48	38	11	49	60	24	84
July	57	20	36	56	31	28	59
August	60	12	4	16	19	9	28
September	85	20	19	39	46	101	147
October	89	22	23	45	39	24	63
November	61	15	7	22	24	8	32
December	9	1	6	7	1	11	12
1954 : January	43	12	9	21	19	11	30
February	51	10	6	16	18	9	27

Monthly particulars are approximate.

## 9. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Estimated Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1950	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	71,592	30,965	61,464	30,036
1951	1,692,368	1,666,392	3,358,760	72,069	31,932	40,597	30,341
1952	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	74,196	32,038	20,850	29,351
1953	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	74,890	31,707	n.y.a.	27,573
1951 : Dec. Qr.	1,692,368	1,666,392	3,358,760	17,506	7,472	13,228	7,974
1952 : Mar. Qr.	1,701,906	1,674,776	3,376,682	18,779	7,258	6,401	7,915
June Qr.	1,708,712	1,679,725	3,388,437	17,958	7,833	1,630	7,434
Sept. Qr.	1,717,924	1,687,465	3,405,389	18,964	9,598	7,586	6,316
Dec. Qr.	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	18,495	7,349	5,233	7,686
1953 : Mar. Qr.	1,732,393	1,704,130	3,436,523	19,056	6,858	2,557	6,968
June Qr.	1,735,101	1,707,331	3,442,432	18,401	7,767	(-)-4,725	7,048
Sept. Qr.	1,740,334	1,713,909	3,454,243	18,923	9,160	2,048	6,033
Dec. Qr.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	18,510	7,922	n.y.a.	7,524

\*Includes intercensal adjustment.

(-) Denotes net emigration.

The estimated population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,621,040 at 31st December, 1952.

## 10. Mean Population of N.S.W.: Financial and Calendar Years

Year	Year ended 30th June			Year ended 31st December		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1948	1,503,789	1,502,692	3,006,481	1,515,909	1,513,664	3,029,573
1949	1,533,884	1,530,089	3,063,973	1,561,124	1,552,853	3,113,977
1950	1,592,739	1,579,201	3,171,940	1,621,197	1,603,695	3,224,892
1951	1,647,041	1,627,066	3,274,107	1,670,626	1,648,174	3,318,800
1952	1,690,790	1,665,198	3,355,988	1,709,553	1,680,921	3,390,474
1953	1,724,677	1,695,494	3,420,171	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

# BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note.—“ Value ” represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

- Building is classified as “ government ” or “ private ” according to ownership.
- The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
- Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

## 11. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government				
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
			Metropolis	Balance	Total		
£ thousand							
Year : 1947	41,817	7,322	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1952 : September	5,694	1,012	2,875	1,267	4,142	2,564	6,706
October	6,582	430	3,395	1,237	4,632	2,380	7,012
November	5,557	543	2,399	1,378	3,777	2,323	6,100
December	5,494	545	2,542	1,145	3,687	2,352	6,039
1953 : September	8,483	1,805	4,632	2,075	6,707	3,581	10,288
October	7,928	3,947	5,737	2,247	7,984	3,891	11,875
November	8,079	2,032	4,473	2,094	6,567	3,544	10,111
December	7,005	1,941	3,505	1,785	5,290	3,656	8,946

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

## 12. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
	DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND						
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1952 : October	2,718	18	19	110	1,036	731	4,632
November	2,648	26	19	124	177	783	3,777
December	2,618	81	12	116	198	662	3,687
1953 : October	5,020	100	168	308	601	1,787	7,984
November	4,608	25	156	234	400	1,144	6,567
December	3,931	253	68	169	324	545	5,290

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Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1952 : October	4,567	38	71	177	1,070	1,089	7,012
November	4,275	44	142	167	211	1,261	6,100
December	4,450	98	141	188	218	944	6,039
1953 : October	7,836	159	259	429	682	2,510	11,875
November	7,269	82	190	402	424	1,744	10,111
December	6,400	292	281	425	424	1,124	8,946

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.



## 13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1948 †	26,496	17,092	13,867	16,621	1,069	904	602	801	27,565	17,996	14,469	17,422
1949 †	28,359	17,933	14,767	19,787	1,039	730	734	797	29,398	18,663	15,501	20,584
1950 †	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,081	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1951 : Dec. Qr.	5,192	5,126	4,602	28,442†	196	156	199	849	5,388	5,282	4,801	29,291†
1952 : Mar. Qr.	4,306	4,966	5,018	28,390†	61	111	181	779	4,367	5,077	5,199	29,169†
June Qr.	4,167	4,795	4,933	28,252†	101	69	172	676	4,268	4,864	5,105	28,928†
Sept. Qr.	4,616	3,933	4,930	27,255†	40	73	160	589	4,656	4,006	5,090	27,844†
Dec. Qr.	4,738	4,755	4,753	27,257†	69	42	231	529	4,807	4,797	4,984	27,786†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	5,101	4,276	5,320	26,213†	71	40	163	400	5,172	4,316	5,483	26,613†
June Qr.	5,781	5,089	4,987	26,315†	97	68	172	292	5,157	5,157	5,159	26,607†
Sept. Qr.	6,436	5,589	4,803	27,101†	132	126	122	296	6,568	5,715	4,925	27,397†
Dec. Qr.	5,785	5,370	5,941	26,530†	93	72	98	271	5,878	5,442	6,039	26,801†

## GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	729	427	187	444	3,418	4,401	3,572	5,023
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	639	630	285	789	4,163	4,049	3,794	5,278
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	630	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1951 : Dec. Qr.	566	1,197	1,439	4,970	48	181	147	1,462	614	1,378	1,586	6,432
1952 : Mar. Qr.	(-) 13	926	1,104	4,792	(-) 25	36	62	1,436	(-) 38	962	1,166	6,228
June Qr.	294	987	1,225	4,554	...	174	141	1,469	294	1,161	1,366	6,023
Sept. Qr.	195	563	1,458	3,659	...	26	84	1,411	195	589	1,542	5,070
Dec. Qr.	367	455	1,463	2,651	...	...	348	1,063	367	455	1,811	3,714
1953 : Mar. Qr.	1,160	927	1,048	2,530	3	...	190	873	1,196	927	1,238	3,403
June Qr.	816	1,032	931	2,631	69	42	316	599	885	1,074	1,247	3,230
Sept. Qr.	1,839	1,199	1,115	2,715	86	53	222	430	1,925	1,252	1,337	3,145
Dec. Qr.	2,417	1,913	1,453	3,175	157	53	272	211	2,574	1,966	1,725	3,386

## PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948†	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200	1,798	1,331	789	1,245	30,983	22,397	18,041	22,445
1949†	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586	33,561	22,712	19,295	25,862
1950†	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,884	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	741	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1951 : Dec. Qr.	5,758	6,323	6,041	33,412†	244	337	346	2,311	6,002	6,660	6,387	35,723†
1952 : Mar. Qr.	4,293	5,892	6,122	33,182†	36	147	243	2,215	4,329	6,039	6,365	35,397†
June Qr.	4,461	5,782	6,158	32,806†	101	243	313	2,145	4,562	6,025	6,471	34,951†
Sept. Qr.	4,811	4,496	6,388	30,914†	40	99	244	2,000	4,851	4,595	6,632	32,914†
Dec. Qr.	5,105	5,210	6,216	29,908†	69	42	579	1,592	5,174	5,252	6,795	31,500†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	6,261	5,203	6,368	28,743†	107	40	353	1,273	6,368	5,243	6,721	30,016†
June Qr.	6,597	6,121	5,918	28,946†	166	110	488	891	6,763	6,231	6,406	29,837†
Sept. Qr.	8,275	6,788	5,918	29,816†	218	179	344	726	8,493	6,967	6,262	30,542†
Dec. Qr.	8,202	7,283	7,394	29,705†	250	125	370	482	8,452	7,408	7,764	30,187†

\* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.  
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1953	1,512	1,698	1,962	1,953	1,843	2,082	2,150	2,117	2,301	2,024	2,017	1,837
	1954	1,652											
Gov'tment	1953	224	477	495	262	289	334	588	714	623	1,059	714	801
	1954	456											
Total	1953	1,736	2,175	2,457	2,215	2,132	2,416	2,738	2,831	2,924	3,083	2,731	2,638
	1954	2,108											

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

## 14. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,877	72,676	66,452	6,224
1952-53: July-Jan.	156,252	10,562	43,252	38,566	4,686
1953-54: July-Jan.	160,642	11,362	43,291	37,386	5,905
1952: October	22,405	1,606	6,707	5,718	989
November	22,225	1,491	6,049	5,390	659
December	22,964	1,405	6,355	5,651	704
1953: January	22,120	1,322	5,772	4,709	1,063
1953: October	22,657	1,638	6,389	5,542	847
November	24,087	1,636	6,115	5,233	882
December	22,581	1,455	6,206	5,520	686
1954: January	22,839	1,459	5,780	5,077	703

\* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.: a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.  
‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

## 15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(-) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(-) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(-) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(-) 2,714
1952-53: July-Jan.	3,298	3,445	6,743	8,459	(-) 1,716
1953-54: July-Jan.	3,226	3,525	6,751	8,052	(-) 1,301
1952: October	475	500	975	1,210	(-) 235
November	466	491	957	1,168	(-) 211
December	498	500	998	1,194	(-) 196
1953: January	468	479	947	1,218	(-) 271
1953: October	468	510	978	1,178	(-) 200
November	466	506	972	1,138	(-) 166
December	478	526	1,004	1,159	(-) 155
1954: January	438	482	920	1,092	(-) 172

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£880,950 in year 1952-53).  
† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

## 16. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1952: Dec. Qr.	605	301	209	162	530	26	1,344	489
1953: Mar. Qr.	595	343	184	154	375	16	1,154	513
June Qr.	608	402	225	185	491	22	1,324	609
Sept. Qr.	746	355	245	208	534	17	1,525	580
Dec. Qr.	737	386	244	166	578	10	1,559	562

## 17. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,637	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1952 : June	338,640	3,429	4,474	196,295	542,838	47,552	31,429	10,482	632,301
1953 : June	360,573	3,417	4,471	199,870	568,331	45,100	34,173	11,413	659,017
1952 : Oct.	345,167	3,462	4,524	196,629	549,782	46,779	32,269	10,763	639,593
Nov.	347,524	3,484	4,531	197,040	552,579	46,649	32,433	10,853	642,514
Dec.	350,164	3,493	4,532	197,470	555,659	46,558	33,141	10,907	646,265
1953 : Jan.	351,636	3,489	4,535	197,406	557,066	46,375	33,557	10,922	647,920
1953 : Oct.	371,046	3,420	4,473	203,486	582,425	44,319	35,255	11,973	673,972
Nov.	374,403	3,433	4,479	204,713	587,028	44,147	35,643	12,172	678,990
Dec.	378,246	3,437	4,480	206,010	592,178	44,072	36,499	12,340	685,084
1954 : Jan.	379,932	3,441	4,472	206,201	592,046	43,860	36,923	12,435	687,264

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1952-53: July-Jan.	17,917	250	80	10,236	28,483	1,862	3,866	34,211
1953-54: July-Jan.	23,795	311	71	12,246	36,423	1,669	3,983	42,075
1952: October	2,951	39	12	1,514	4,516	299	540	5,355
November	2,996	58	11	1,602	4,667	268	485	5,420
December	3,096	42	4	1,650	4,792	302	975	6,069
1953: January	2,053	27	8	1,179	3,267	280	663	4,210
1953: October	3,876	57	7	1,723	5,663	276	499	6,438
November	3,846	41	11	1,890	5,788	274	593	6,655
December	4,089	33	6	1,929	6,057	236	990	7,283
1954: January	2,576	12	13	1,324	3,925	206	664	4,795

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1952-53: July-Jan.	30.7	52.6	13.7	3.0	17,917	20.1	49.8	27.8	2.3	10,236
1953-54: July-Jan.	31.1	51.6	14.2	3.1	23,795	18.9	48.4	30.5	2.2	12,246
1952: October	28.6	57.0	11.1	3.3	2,951	23.5	49.1	25.4	2.0	1,514
November	27.3	56.7	12.8	3.2	2,996	19.6	53.1	25.2	2.1	1,602
December	32.9	51.6	12.3	3.2	3,096	20.7	49.8	27.3	2.2	1,650
1953: January	29.1	53.5	13.1	4.3	2,053	19.5	56.4	21.3	2.8	1,179
1953: October	33.0	49.6	12.9	4.5	3,876	19.4	47.0	30.5	3.1	1,723
November	27.6	54.5	14.0	3.9	3,846	20.9	49.7	26.9	2.5	1,890
December	29.4	56.0	12.4	2.2	4,089	18.4	49.7	29.7	2.2	1,929
1954: January	25.1	58.2	13.3	3.4	2,576	19.3	47.7	30.8	2.2	1,324

## 20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1954 Dates)	1942	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 23	731	513	714	442	622	604	612p
2nd	Feb. 20	933	954	952	876	1,134	1,135	1,147p
3rd	Mar. 20	981	929	932	888	1,292	1,139	
4th	Apr. 17	886	908	925	1,052	1,156	1,007	
5th	May 15	1,003	970	1,013	980	1,171	999	
6th	June 12	965	926	1,038	1,052	1,147	1,051	
7th	July 10	918	225	923	1,168	1,236	1,309	
8th	Aug. 7	953	109	961	1,158	1,177	1,248	
9th	Sept. 4	1,028	1,117	1,144	1,174	1,240	1,241	
10th	Oct. 2	984	1,100	1,051	1,205	1,287	1,239	
11th	Oct. 30	973	1,108	1,120	1,255	1,267	1,280r	
12th	Nov. 27	965	1,182	1,093	1,222	1,272	991r	
13th†	Dec. 25	886	695	932	1,041	1,019		
Year: Underground		12,150	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	12,453r	
Open Cut ...		56	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,530	1,721r	
Total ...		12,206	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174r	

Eight weeks ended—

	Feb. 21.	Feb. 26.	Feb. 25.	Feb. 24.	Feb. 23.	Feb. 21.	Feb. 20.
Northern District ...	1,125	917	1,154	838	1,096	1,104r	1,116p
Southern District ...	306*	275	268	262	315	360r	391p
Western District ...	233	275	244	218	345	275r	252p
Underground ...	n. a.	1,309	1,468	1,114	1,424	1,515r	1,584p
Open Cut ...	n. a.	158	198	204	332	224r	175p
Total ...	1,664	1,467	1,666	1,318	1,756	1,739r	1,759p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts in 1942.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays:

	1942.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
In 1st Period ...	Public holidays	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. & W-2 wks.}	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks
In 13th Period	only.	{N-2 wks. & W-1 wk.}	1 week	1 week	1 week	1 week	

## 21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	100	125	198	218	221	235	252	258	276
February	100	125	208	227	241	240	258	267	
March	100	130	212	231	238	235	252	268	
April	100	125	218	222	226	243	248	259	
May	100	128	203	229	237	240	251	261	
June	100	131	214	189	232	245	252	274	
July	100	134	199	118	214	253	254	275	
August	100	135	214	173	234	255	247	271	
September	100	134	223	228	236	248	254	274	
October	100	135	216	224	238	255	257	275	
November	100	136	226	239	246	265	260	280	
December	100	131	222	231	236	246	267	273	
Year	100	131	213	209	233	247	254	270	



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1951-52 are final, but all figures from July, 1952, are subject to revision.

## 22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
Thousand lb.							
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	33,234	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	36,246	31,748	32,265
1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911§	29,260	48,106	37,823
1952-53p	83,076	7,084	54,168	29,373	20,371	31,573	37,070
1952-53: July-Jan.	50,180	4,784	39,849	18,878	10,777	5,355	19,359
1953-54: July-Jan.	37,835	5,091	31,882	15,477	12,781	9,309	12,836
1952: October	8,982	956	7,532	2,860	932	77	2,264
November	9,236	981	8,776	2,713	752	104	5,348
December	8,960	845	6,969	3,138	1,549	1,613	2,009
1953: January	8,837	871	5,305	1,899	2,454	2,471	5,952
1953: October	6,000r	1,092	6,095	1,899	1,238	236	2,132
November	7,225r	1,069	5,807	2,584	744	142	4,460
December	5,799r	798	4,664	3,052	1,492	1,091	2,363
1954: January	7,232	696	4,636	1,634	4,584	6,947	1,298

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	43,611
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	170,251	153,853	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	166,183	154,645	60,789
1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	162,166	179,891	67,725
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	168,055	203,440	76,732
1952-53p	542,763	82,954	121,868	170,948	196,263	73,415
1952-53: July- Jan.	258,335	39,680	57,584	83,781	106,298	42,919
1953-54: July- Jan.	357,890	53,650	77,952	n.a.	117,476	44,154
1952: October	33,170	5,202	7,293	10,110	17,080	7,213
November	34,376	5,313	7,434	9,651	17,858	5,971
December	34,819	5,207	7,672	7,683	14,118	4,708
1953: January	50,636	7,805	11,241	7,619	10,207	5,349
1953: October	46,531	7,098	10,122	n.a.	20,958	7,208
November	52,151	8,096	11,637	n.a.	17,165	6,123
December	47,838	7,128	10,402	n.a.	12,792	6,345
1954: January	46,052	6,729	9,505	n.a.	10,399	5,290

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate (excl.coverture)	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988‡	26,811	33,899
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	27,253	34,094	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	28,910	31,307	54,704
1950-51	5,619	36,328	7,711	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	11,146	41,017	7,937	23,243	36,894	66,799
1952-53p	9,264	35,041	5,770	20,642	35,038	73,891
1952-53: July-Jan.	5,009	20,176	3,563	9,644	20,475	43,008
1953-54: July-Jan.	8,218	20,589	3,656	11,297	19,777	46,980
1952: October	622	3,552	510	1,113	3,158	6,068
November	613	2,974	550	1,283	2,916	6,352
December	535	2,324	703	1,012	2,704	6,545
1953: January	509	1,737	712	1,108	1,884	6,482
1953: October	1,383	3,149	490	1,418	3,008	6,720
November	1,144	3,106	653	1,323	3,162	7,094
December	890	2,877	756	1,056	2,749	7,684
1954: January	831	1,878	692	1,003	1,742	7,339

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ Including coverture.

§ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from a "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

## 23. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz		Thousand tons			Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year: 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,444	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	20,537	4,628
1952-53p	31,873	14,290	1,866	1,541	1,846	20,767	5,077
1952-53: July-Jan.	21,542	8,711	1,067	874	1,054	12,265	2,888
1953-54: July-Jan.	16,796	8,675	1,163	982	1,235	12,638	3,313
1952: October	4,271	1,459	159	142	162	1,719	415
November	2,183	1,273	152	128	151	1,625	400
December	2,105	1,019	153	121	148	1,639	413
1953: January	1,424	842	150	124	153	1,557	394
1953: October	2,623	1,351r	170	145	184	1,799	469
November	2,553	1,352r	167	139	178	1,677	478
December	2,228	924r	166	144	163	1,629	474
1954: January	2,236	922p	167	142	176	1,600	451

\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 24. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
			Number 26,671*			
Year: 1938-39	977	1,214			5,425	36,416
1948-49	2,343	16,642	182,290	31,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,560	274,228	26,146	6,646	26,539
1950-51	2,160	21,586	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	1,887	20,593	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53p	1,159	10,734	348,533	22,765	9,170	21,297
1952-53: July-Jan.	723	4,962	184,060	14,845	2,819	12,134
1953-54: July-Jan.	810	9,020	303,282	10,920	11,893	15,000
1952: October	105	669	29,727	2,517	348	1,506
November	104	697	30,834	1,744	408	2,197
December	139	923	27,347	1,511	421	3,310
1953: January	86	746	29,960	2,332	478	1,568
1953: October	141	1,307	43,379	1,578	1,702	1,921
November	146	1,428	47,319	1,619	1,886	2,545
December	121	1,500	53,981	1,442	1,636	4,036
1954: January	73	762	44,381	1,246	1,296	1,004

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 25. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids* and Girls'	Other			Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1948-49	351,054	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
1950-51	465,854	423,477	115,241	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
1951-52	463,596	376,536	86,586	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,155	2,465
1952-53p	563,274	338,439	100,749	142,217	23,454	101,613	5,813	2,433
1952-53: July-Jan.	304,448	178,427	50,588	71,555	12,063	60,915	3,320	1,251
1953-54: July-Jan.	349,499	252,460	55,053	102,407	16,986	68,370	3,872	1,626
1952: October	50,541	29,980	7,777	11,986	1,938	8,693	556	213
November	48,240	29,215	9,513	12,928	2,039	7,766	532	200
December	36,621	25,170	6,755	11,711	1,426	6,772	410	180
1953: January	31,447	18,441	8,381	3,913	1,411	5,270	285	124
1953: October	51,394	36,292	8,469	15,456	3,123	10,186	606	252
November	54,808	40,062	9,724	17,017	2,834	10,814	606	257
December	44,271	37,456	6,102	17,547	2,072	8,161	524	256
1954: January	33,141	21,574	8,801	8,691	1,173	8,104	362	138

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 26. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.		Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	10,545	4,962	594,276
1952-53p	351.3	295,470	27,818	5,913	9,344	4,401	659,736
1952-53: July-Jan.	208.5	164,946	15,536	4,338	5,259	2,592	364,459
1953-54: July-Jan.	n.y.a.	201,808	17,300	4,480	5,502	2,816	403,739
1952: October	37.3	24,832	2,554	804	879	412	59,117
November	33.2	23,910	2,291	646	954	381	57,403
December	32.7	20,412	2,108	300	576	301	55,702
1953: January	22.7	17,442	1,730	350	595	293	50,329
1953: October	36.0	31,283	2,650	857	829	435	62,698
November	31.0	30,192	2,703	867	840	450	55,516
December	33.8	26,671	2,307	751	739	361	58,277
1954: January	n.y.a.	20,894	1,824	664	543	349	46,010

Period	Paints		Stoves, Domestic Cooking			
	Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers
	Thousand gal.		Number			
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930	
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128
1950-51	2,577	1,575	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074
1951-52	2,598	1,771	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290
1952-53p	2,044	1,743	11,089	16,733	8,192	17,528
1952-53: July-Jan.	1,119	869	6,660	8,711	4,541	9,880
1953-54: July-Jan.	1,362	1,294	7,543	13,314	6,161	11,091
1952: October	205	123	999	1,315	940	1,611
November	186	144	829	1,418	502	2,009
December	156	131	771	1,121	468	2,086
1953: January	166	119	616	1,174	337	1,281
1953: October	194	205	966	2,065	901	1,401
November	186	211	1,200	1,980	1,089	1,897
December	207	186	810	1,792	966	1,826
1954: January	161	141	549	1,272	635	1,013

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks	Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)	
		Stainless Steel	Solid Fuel and Kerosene	Gas	Electric	Gas	Electric
			Number				
Year: 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	45,646	12,867	35,201	22,414	6,301	24,256	14,121
1949-50	40,635	18,431	44,127	13,845	7,800	20,765	16,470
1950-51	45,583	22,759	42,219	17,191	8,863	24,847	24,081
1951-52	49,719	26,349	37,319	16,396	8,777	19,974	21,712
1952-53p	39,962	23,910	30,348	10,839	n.a.	12,396	10,708
1952-53: July-Jan.	18,403	14,085	15,507	5,713	n.a.	6,765	5,306
1953-54: July-Jan.	32,631	16,068	14,242	7,902	n.a.	n.a.	8,449
1952: October	3,135	2,007	2,992	947	n.a.	1,122	781
November	2,812	1,819	2,525	861	n.a.	1,031	893
December	1,841	1,665	1,380	818	n.a.	814	737
1953: January	2,517	1,089	1,921	729	n.a.	792	673
1953: October	4,814	2,422	1,759	1,453	n.a.	n.a.	1,297
November	5,474	2,376	1,329	1,127	n.a.	n.a.	1,069
December	4,491	2,127	2,006	1,029	n.a.	n.a.	1,066
1954: January	3,666	1,803	2,187	543	n.a.	n.a.	803

\* Including sawn sleepers.

## 27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Mattresses		
		Wire	Inner Spring	Other
Number				
Year : 1939-39	13,102	79,140	17,407	n.a.
1948-49	84,232	55,590	85,574	166,699
1949-50	90,653	69,650	107,057	190,543
1950-51	113,603	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	101,195	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53p	91,491	71,786	147,474	97,194
1952-53 : July-Jan.	56,296	38,907	77,303	55,885
1953-54 : July-Jan.	101,692	46,997	110,138	58,293
1952 : October	9,734	6,288	12,176	7,360
November	11,904	6,470	11,714	7,589
December	11,817	6,652	11,803	8,349
1953 : January	9,618	4,158	9,507	6,380
1953 : October	16,459	7,791	15,732	8,754
November	18,113	7,963	18,422	8,435
December	19,523	6,754	17,994	8,899
1954 : January	15,815	4,515	13,861	6,454

Period	Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators	Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Number		Tons	
Year : 1938-39	133,760	42,282	20,960	85,501
1948-49	180,023	45,754	28,780	94,542
1949-50	222,818	48,410	32,353	93,763
1950-51	276,682	53,334	37,222	112,151
1951-52	227,014	64,033	43,549	117,035
1952-53p	154,498	77,902	49,095	124,794
1952-53 : July-Jan.	80,159	38,576	28,187	70,077
1953-54 : July-Jan.	129,194	44,741	31,236	83,492
1952 : October	13,171	5,200	5,002	10,622
November	17,878	5,538	3,951	9,731
December	11,076	9,709	4,006	9,438
1953 : January	7,836	6,187	4,071	8,988
1953 : October	24,008	n.a.	5,324	13,840
November	25,423	4,909	4,259	10,961
December	22,236	4,704	4,199	12,866
1954 : January	12,910	n.a.	3,832	13,527

Period	Soap				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	107,390	..... 384,103.....		56,301	28,502*
1948-49	219,348	..... 619,492.....		106,813	58,348*
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468*
1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696*
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53p	230,506	692,900	57,456	84,754	43,523
1952-53 : July-Jan.	123,086	406,152	30,982	49,970	24,385
1953-54 : July-Jan.	145,831	342,060	39,263	47,346	24,055
1952 : October	14,995	75,553	5,112	7,982	3,907
November	14,819	61,971	5,474	6,426	3,578
December	18,599	41,041	5,319	6,270	2,795
1953 : January	11,695	32,708	1,766	5,981	2,687
1953 : October	25,160	67,286	5,017	7,494	2,711
November	24,481	51,500	5,934	6,285	3,506
December	20,407	51,111	5,759	6,525	3,052
1954 : January	15,724	31,504	4,235	7,148	2,922

\*Includes synthetic detergents.



## 28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1952 : August	259	236	95	183	191	266	221	82	141	326	410	390	356
September	52	54	106	33	168	48	58	105	85	62	23	23	47
October	242	147	228	236	10	193	169	230	209	154	165	302	176
November	34	66	155	103	290	34	72	150	115	34	43	174	54
December	60	95	127	31	89	73	101	98	96	52	52	134	63
1953 : January	58	98	115	173	100	55	88	127	108	225	114	78	178
February	301	111	83	113	156	256	120	86	116	337	215	62	270
March	52	36	20	13	33	39	38	14	24	132	122	69	121
April	53	49	92	146	75	46	52	100	81	26	49	32	32
May	185	163	139	107	155	222	190	103	140	52	209	344	129
June	3	22	64	14	29	4	21	65	46	3	15	10	7
July	37	14	54	25	35	49	16	50	41	34	47	27	37
August	184	131	131	152	148	197	124	136	141	94	104	107	98
September	36	65	129	94	81	44	62	137	106	34	30	55	35
October	96	128	167	193	139	105	113	187	157	89	78	119	90
November	81	121	138	68	111	80	107	143	126	40	47	66	45
December	10	40	36	21	28	7	40	26	27	36	27	50	35
1954 : January	81	140	222	132	149	92	148	254	206	70	119	94	86
February	283	344	168	168	250	282	338	167	226	423	337	288	384

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
Sheep ... .. mill.	48.9	46.1	50.4	53.3	54.1	53.7	57.5
Sheep shorn ... .. mill.	51.5	43.7	48.1	53.6	52.9	52.7	58.5
Wool produced* .. mill. lb.	437.1	422.3	463.2	515.0	492.1	437.8	572.3

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1952-53: July-Feb.	913.2	179.2	50.5	1,142.9	172.5	14.3	10.6	197.4
1953-54: July-Feb.	897.6	221.1	54.7	1,173.4	160.1	34.8	13.6	208.5
1952: November	159.0	36.8	16.5	212.3	321.8	76.3	29.8	427.9
December	73.6	11.3	4.9	89.8	316.4	58.2	26.2	400.8
1953: January	16.7	4.8	0.9	22.4	267.0	37.9	17.8	322.7
February	31.6	5.7	0.4	37.7	172.5	14.3	10.6	197.4
1953: November	132.0	48.4	18.0	198.4	333.9	110.9	34.4	479.2
December	67.7	11.8	4.6	84.1	334.0	90.7	30.8	455.5
1954: January	18.2	4.3	0.6	23.1	282.3	62.0	22.2	366.5
February	27.9	5.2	0.4	33.5	160.1	34.8	13.6	208.5

### 31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *									
£ thousand									
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1951-52	912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261
1952-53	1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348
1952-53 : July-Feb.	754.9	165.6	40.1	925.9	34.7	81,020	19,090	4,576	104,686
1953-54 : July-Feb.	754.4	186.9	41.2	954.2	28.3	78,279	19,525	4,523	102,327
1952: November	139.5	30.5	8.6	173.6	5.0	15,101	3,380	974	19,455
December	78.8	29.4	8.5	112.6	4.1	8,840	3,580	1,013	13,433
1953: January	66.2	25.0	9.2	98.0	2.4	7,246	2,973	1,048	11,267
February	126.1	29.2	7.7	159.7	3.3	14,299	3,611	910	18,820
1953: November	131.5	31.7	8.3	168.2	3.3	14,171	3,331	945	18,447
December	67.4	31.9	8.2	104.5	3.0	7,123	3,425	943	11,501
1954: January	69.9	33.0	9.2	110.0	2.1	6,835	3,404	973	11,212
February	150.2	32.2	9.0	188.2	3.2	14,990	3,372	957	19,319

\* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis.

### 32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	July	78.5†	95.0†	75.0†	85.0†
1945-46	15.3†	August	114.5	73.0	75.0†	84.0†
1946-47	23.6	September	118.0	66.0	73.0	83.0
1947-48	37.9	October	118.0	91.0	78.0	84.0
1948-49	46.8	November	128.0	80.0	78.0	84.0
1949-50	61.8	December	129.0	77.0	82.0	81.0p
1950-51	145.3	January	166.0	75.0	82.0	80.0p
1951-52	76.5	February	177.5	69.0	83.0	77.0p
1952-53	85.1	March	190.5	61.0	87.0	
		April	145.0	63.0	89.0	
		May	129.0	72.0	93.0	
		June	95.0	75.0	85.0	

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre).

† Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool.

‡ Nominal.

### 33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1953-54p	n.y.a.	3,730,000	3,470,000	65,000,000	18.7

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

## 34. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption‡	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
					For Commercial Export
			s. d. per bushel		Cents (Can.) per bushel
1938-39	2	5.1	2	5.9	62.0
1946-47	14	1	3	11.3	244.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
1949-50	15	† 5.2	18	† 5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953: February	16	6	21	6	218.1
March	16	6	21	6	219.9
April	16	6	21	0	215.0
May	16	6	21	0	211.8
June	16	6	20	5.6	205.6
July	16	6	19	6.8	204.7
August	18	3**	18	3**	202.1
September	18	2**	18	2**	200.5
October	17	8**	17	8**	195.3
November	17	0**	17	0**	190.0
December	16	10.5**	16	10.5**	188.5
1954: January	16	9**	16	9**	188.4
February	16	6**	16	6**	183.6

\* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows :—  
 1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.

§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

\*\* For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price. †† Approximate.

## 35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53p	1953-54p
	Thousand gallons					
July	15,144	15,635	14,678	13,568	17,615	16,922
August	17,306	17,693	16,964	15,106	19,247	18,492
September	20,556	22,507	22,091	17,600*	25,694	22,028
October	27,860	31,028	31,046	24,781	32,219	26,871
November	28,027	34,481	33,397	23,701	33,006	28,018
December	29,714	35,645	35,323	20,451	31,938	24,522
March Qr.	91,087	93,750	93,790	62,177	92,623	
June Qr.	62,221	60,841	50,870	63,825	62,932	
Year ended June	291,915	311,580	298,159	241,209	315,274	
July-December	138,607	156,989	153,499	115,207	159,719	136,853

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

## 36. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
		s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1953: March	3 6.0	3 8.8
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	1953: June	3 6.0	3 8.8
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	July	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	August	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	September	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	October	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	2 8.2	November	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1951-52	3 3.1	2 7.2	3 6.1	December	3 7.7r	3 8.8
1952-53	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 11.4	1954: January	3 7.7r	3 8.8
				February	3 7.7r	3 8.8
				March	3 7.7	3 8.8

\* United Kingdom contract price f.o.b. Australia (1938-39 excepted). † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

## 37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A. million f.o.b.					
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.6	42.7	510.4	849.3	338.9
1952-53 : July-Jan.	119.9	134.8	14.9	295.2	467.8	172.6
1953-54 : July-Jan.	151.0	148.2	(—) 2.8	377.6	491.8	114.2
1952: October	18.4	24.1	5.7	44.8	84.7	39.9
November	15.1	26.9	11.8	35.5	86.3	50.8
December	14.9	26.4	11.5	38.5	81.5	43.0
1953 : January	19.3	19.8	0.5	44.7	66.4	21.7
1953: October	19.9	25.6	5.7	50.5	85.9	35.4
November	20.4	26.5	6.1	50.7	84.9	34.2
December	23.8	26.0	2.2	58.7	79.1	20.4
1954 : January	24.5	19.0	(—) 5.5	60.4	57.6	(—) 2.8

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

## 38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

\* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	£ million							
July	24.8	27.1	34.5	35.3	49.1	67.5	56.9	62.5
August	27.8	31.5	38.6	34.7	52.1	68.2	59.6	64.0
September	27.9	31.3	38.2	39.9	56.2	74.0	60.2	76.8
October	25.6	30.3	36.5	43.6	57.8	68.6	61.7	65.9
November	23.8	32.1	38.3	39.3	44.9	56.3	62.1	77.4
December	26.9	33.6	34.5	50.2	61.2	81.7	60.4	72.0
March Qr.	70.2	86.5	104.7	127.2	164.5	186.1	179.7	
June Qr.	83.0	101.5	116.3	153.5	201.0	196.4	188.6	
Year ended June	310.0	373.9	441.6	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	
July-December	156.8	185.9	220.6	243.0	321.3	416.3	360.9	418.6

\* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

## 39. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.					
Year : 1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	— 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	— 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	— 20.1	— 0.3	— 3.9		
1952: Aug.	27	26	— 21.9	— 0.3	— 4.3	— 14.8	— 17.4	+ 0.6
Sept.	25	26	— 9.9	— 3.9	+ 2.4	— 13.8	— 16.2	+ 0.6
Oct.	26	26	— 14.7	— 8.2	— 2.0	— 14.7	— 15.9	— 1.4
Nov.	26	25	— 11.9	— 14.0	— 10.8	— 15.8	— 12.3	— 3.8
Dec.	23	24	+ 9.5	— 20.2	— 2.0	— 14.1	— 5.3	— 4.9
1953: Jan.	25	25	— 5.5	— 23.8	— 7.1	— 12.6	— 1.9	— 6.4
1953: Aug.	26	26	+ 9.1	— 17.7	+ 0.9	— 0.1	+ 8.2	+ 1.7
Sept.	26	26	+ 11.1	— 13.4	+ 2.8	— 0.3	+ 8.8	+ 2.0
Oct.	26	26	+ 7.1	— 8.7	+ 3.5	+ 0.8	+ 9.1	+ 2.4
Nov.	25	25	+ 15.1	— 7.7	+ 6.2	+ 3.1	+ 11.0	+ 4.2
Dec.	24	24	+ 11.9	— 2.3	+ 7.6	+ 8.0	+ 11.4	+ 5.9
1954: Jan.	25	25	+ 12.7	+ 0.5	+ 4.7	+ 4.3	+ 13.1	+ 6.2

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

## BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 oversea banks.

#### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1952 : June	1,122.9	48.0	61.2	35.8	62.6	303.3	691.2
1953 : June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
1952 : November	1,114.3	10.2	76.5	120.9	70.5	156.5	655.7
December	1,147.4	9.3	78.7	136.8	79.3	156.5	637.7
1953 : January	1,171.6	3.4	91.9	157.8	91.2	167.5	616.0
1953 : November	1,250.9	3.9	69.0	100.9	126.1	250.5	664.1
December	1,290.0	3.8	83.0	105.2	130.2	250.5	665.0
1954 : January	1,303.8	2.9	87.6	129.6	135.0	257.2	654.1
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1949 : June	68.2	2.5	4.7	...	34.4	...	36.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1952 : June	109.1	3.4	7.1	23.0	22.1	...	71.2
1953 : June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
1952 : November	116.6	3.3	7.8	9.1	36.9	15.8	59.1
December	120.7	4.5	7.8	12.1	38.4	15.8	59.5
1953 : January	117.5	3.7	7.0	14.6	33.5	16.6	62.8
1953 : November	161.0	3.9	11.3	27.7	33.2	32.3	63.4
December	159.4	1.6	10.6	22.6	35.1	32.3	70.4
1954 : January	155.1	0.5	10.5	19.6	35.1	32.8	71.6
ALL TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1949 : June	913.1	52.5	48.0	12.2	111.5	382.8	461.9
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1952 : June	1,282.2	52.2	72.0	59.3	99.4	305.0	827.9
1953 : June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
1952 : November	1,278.3	13.9	87.7	130.3	121.0	173.3	781.3
December	1,316.1	14.2	89.6	149.6	131.0	173.3	763.5
1953 : January	1,340.8	7.5	104.0	175.5	138.1	185.2	742.9
1953 : November	1,461.8	9.4	84.9	132.4	173.3	283.8	799.8
December	1,502.0	6.7	98.8	132.5	179.4	283.8	802.2
1954 : January	1,515.0	3.6	103.9	156.9	184.2	291.0	791.5

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

#### 41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1952 : June	345.7	67.9	413.6	276.0	61.8	38.6	507.3	361.1
1953 : June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
1952 : Nov.	343.8	65.6	409.4	266.1	66.1	25.6	506.5	338.4
Dec.	357.3	66.8	424.1	258.9	67.7	25.6	523.7	330.9
1953 : Jan.	367.3	66.8	434.1	246.5	66.7	27.1	534.1	319.0
1953 : Nov.	383.7	78.3	462.0	274.8	85.5	29.1	580.3	349.8
Dec.	398.8	78.5	477.3	272.8	84.2	29.4	596.0	347.6
1954 : Jan.	405.8	77.7	483.5	261.5	83.7	30.1	602.8	337.1

\* General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

#### 42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
Weekly Average—£ million.							
July	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7
August	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6
September	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7
October	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3
November	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0
December	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	185.8
January	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9
February	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8
March	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	
April	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	
May	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	
June	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	
Year	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	

#### 43. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1951-52	2,247	261,966	4,829	246,729	304,532	6,494	891,898
1952-53	2,279	266,006	5,703	257,092	319,149	6,641	947,497
1952: December	2,233	25,148		25,114	312,255	6,508	918,383
1953: January	2,245	20,181		20,589	311,847	6,539	918,097
February	2,254	20,270		19,412	312,705	6,565	921,717
1953: December	2,260	27,135		25,633	327,659	6,617	973,740
1954: January	2,272	22,381		20,650	329,390	6,648	976,452
February	2,281	22,257		19,303	332,344	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* At end of period.

#### 44. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946—June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1953—November	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.24	782.73	111.95	10.64
December	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.24	782.82	111.79	10.64
1954—January	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.24	782.03	111.69	10.64
February	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.25	782.98	111.58	10.64

## 45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bill‡ (Dis-count)	
					Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000		
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months To £10,000Over £10,000					
Per cent. per annum											
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75†	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1946-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951-52	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1952-53	4.7	4.6	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953:											
January	4.8	4.6	3.15	4.46	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
February	4.8	4.6	3.16	4.53	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
March	4.7	4.7	3.20	4.57	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
April	4.8	4.7	3.17	4.51	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
May	4.9	4.8	3.17	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
June	4.9	4.8	3.16	4.48	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
July	4.9	4.8	3.03	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
August	4.9	4.8	2.95	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
September	4.9	4.7	2.96	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
October	4.9	4.8	2.99	4.43	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
November	4.9	4.7	2.97	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
December	4.9	4.7	2.99	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1954:											
January	4.9	4.7	3.03	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
February	4.9	4.7	3.08	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown.

† Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month.

‡ Rate current at end of period.

§ 1½ per cent. to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942.

## 46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	154.4	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1952 : Oct.	355.3	247.4	152.1	194.2	559.9	249.0	248.6
Nov.	352.7	246.0	151.9	188.6	566.9	247.6	247.4
Dec.	353.8	243.9	150.6	189.3	556.5	246.7	248.1
1953 : Jan.	365.7	258.5	151.3	195.1	551.7	253.6	257.7
Feb.	364.8	266.5	153.5	196.4	544.1	255.0	256.7
Mar.	365.7	270.8	153.1	195.2	537.9	255.6	254.7
Apr.	361.0	265.2	149.7	192.3	532.2	252.5	248.9
May	361.4	262.4	150.7	190.5	529.7	251.9	249.9
June	363.6	265.2	153.5	192.8	544.4	254.4	253.7
July	369.5	265.6	154.4	197.7	559.4	258.0	260.3
Aug.	371.8	273.6	154.4	201.6	582.0	262.7	266.7
Sept.	370.8	278.6	155.3	200.8	585.8	264.4	270.1
Oct.	363.5	283.4	152.2	195.5	590.7	261.7	266.3
Nov.	361.2	283.6	151.8	195.5	588.0	261.0	265.1
Dec.	366.6	286.1	149.2	197.8	597.1	264.1	269.2
1954 : Jan.	377.2	294.3	153.6	197.3	620.5	271.6	279.7
Feb.	377.5	295.8	157.3	197.4	636.7	273.3	279.8

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.



### 47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number		£ thousand			
Year :						
1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,945
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	82,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1952-53 : July-Feb.	52,719	90,711	46,833	311	2,081	1,619
1953-54 : July-Feb.	60,564	117,182	50,573	376	1,843	1,729
1952: December	6,360	11,429	5,053	19	163	165
1953: January	5,507	9,951	4,487	6	243	152
February	6,538	11,630	4,900	19	181	172
1953: December	7,241	15,070	5,795	14	175	160
1954: January	6,590	13,594	6,078	5	232	174
February	6,147	12,944	4,970	29	195	194

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

### 48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

#### (a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†:					
1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952‡	106,352	79,956	101,327	13,491	93,447
1953‡	111,937	88,217	97,165	13,404	101,621
1952 : Oct.	9,310	7,241	8,046	1,068	8,309
Nov.	9,547	7,009	8,509	1,184	8,193
Dec.	10,130	10,230	6,134	878	11,108
1953 : Oct.	8,844	6,900	7,080	993	7,893
Nov.	10,282	7,494	8,222	1,178	8,672
Dec.	11,559	10,551	4,307	613	11,164

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures.

#### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year :				
1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,775	1,436	2,426	18,637
1952 : Sept.	1,176	146	230	1,552
Oct.	1,331	152	232	1,715
Nov.	1,809	141	215	2,165
Dec.	1,963	153	357	2,473
1953 : Sept.	1,252	113	194	1,559
Oct.	1,211	104	386	1,701
Nov.	999	120	140	1,259
Dec.	939	103	153	1,195

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 49. Commonwealth Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-February		Item	July-February	
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
<b>Taxes—</b>			<b>Social Services*—</b>		
Customs ... ..	45,734	61,027	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	46,539	52,529
Excise ... ..	74,859	82,308	Child Endowment ... ..	34,076	35,549
Sales ... ..	58,750	63,079	Hospital Benefits ... ..	4,597	5,782
Income Tax and Social Services			Pharmaceutical Benefits ... ..	4,157	4,671
Contribution ... ..	252,671	217,324	Other ... ..	16,213	15,497
Wool Deduction ... ..	(—) 1,894	(—) 173	<b>Total, Social Services*</b>	<b>105,582</b>	<b>114,028</b>
Payroll ... ..	26,724	27,193	<b>To States—</b>		
Estate ... ..	5,191	6,294	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	72,388	75,893
Entertainments ... ..	4,423	1,976	Other ... ..	30,713	30,858
Other ... ..	1,721	1,098	<b>Capital Works ... ..</b>	<b>62,114</b>	<b>56,467</b>
<b>Total Taxes ... ..</b>	<b>468,179</b>	<b>460,126</b>	Post Office† ... ..	43,284	43,166
Post Office ... ..	42,459	44,081	Broadcasting† ... ..	3,124	3,257
Broadcasting ... ..	2,584	2,520	Railways† ... ..	2,230	2,248
Railways ... ..	1,860	2,150	Territories† ... ..	5,245	6,820
Territories ... ..	1,071	1,396	Defence Services ... ..	117,438	99,401
Other ... ..	16,888	21,898	War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45†	42,272	40,554
<b>Total Revenue ... ..</b>	<b>582,346</b>	<b>535,766</b>	Subsidies ... ..	17,723	13,564
			Debt Charges ... ..	45,195	43,050
			Other ... ..	43,701	40,220
<b>Primary Production† ... ..</b>	<b>49,305</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>Primary Production† ... ..</b>	<b>49,305</b>	<b>3,595</b>
			<b>Total Expenditure ... ..</b>	<b>640,314</b>	<b>573,121</b>

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items. ‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation in the eight months ended February (£3,448,000 in 1952-53 and £2,596,000 in 1953-54) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £18,360,000 in 1952-53 and £17,475,000 in 1953-54.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of February amounted to £285,000,000 in 1953 and £250,000,000 in 1954.

## 50. New South Wales Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-February		Item	July-February	
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
<b>Governmental—</b>			<b>Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ... ..</b>	<b>13,133</b>	<b>14,609</b>
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	1,059	2,179
Towards Interest ... ..	1,945	1,945	<b>Net Debt Charges ... ..</b>	<b>12,074</b>	<b>12,430</b>
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ..	28,792	30,016	<b>Other than Debt Charges—</b>		
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..	8,662	8,810	Governmental ... ..	48,229	50,668
Other Taxes ... ..	2,353	3,016	<b>Business Undertakings—</b>		
Land ... ..	3,198	1,648	Railways ... ..	45,446	42,953
Services ... ..	2,650	3,198	Trams and Buses ... ..	9,271	8,762
Other ... ..	7,492	7,120	Sydney Harbour ... ..	983	981
<b>Total Governmental ... ..</b>	<b>55,092</b>	<b>55,753</b>	<b>Total Expenditure ... ..</b>	<b>116,003</b>	<b>115,794</b>
<b>Business Undertakings—</b>					
Railways ... ..	49,411	48,448			
Trams and Buses ... ..	7,819	7,640			
Sydney Harbour ... ..	1,411	1,457			
<b>Total Revenue ... ..</b>	<b>113,733</b>	<b>113,298</b>			

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the eight months ended February was gross £33,650,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayment to loan account) £32,649,000 in 1952-53 compared with gross £27,951,000 and net £26,876,000 in 1953-54.

### 51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
Σ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
Σ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	420	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	441p	313	504	314	504p	482p
1953 : January	618	448p	313	509	321	508p	485p
February	626	448p	313	475	321	509p	486p
March	656	448p	313	463	321	522p	499p
April	671	448p	313	418	321	526p	502p
May	701	448p	313	407	321	540p	515p
June	641	448p	313	429	321	512p	489p
July	641¶	448p	325	446	331	515p	492p
August	634¶	448p	325	450	331	512p	489p
September	626	448p	325	438	331	508p	485p
October	634	448p	325	450	340	513p	490p
November	634p	448p	325	458	340	514p	490p
December	611p	448p	325	442	340	502p	479p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

### 52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

From August, 1950, to 30th June, 1951, a bounty was paid on raw wool purchased for local manufacture. The effective price, that is the open market (auction room) price less bounty, has been used in calculating the index numbers in this table.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1947-48	146	283	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	185	342	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	343	577	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53	392	607	404	350	294r	292r	331	320r
1952 : Nov.	390	589	420	352	280	296r	321	313
Dec.	390	609	420	353	292r	297r	329	320r
1953 : Jan.	389	608	420	353	290r	297r	328	318
Feb.	391	611	391	348	290r	289r	327	316r
Mar.	393	640	391	350	289r	290r	328	317r
Apr.	392	643	391	350	298r	288r	336	322r
May	391	661	364	344	301r	279r	338	320
June	392	621	364	342	305r	283r	338	321
July	391	583	365	336	315	275r	346	325r
Aug.	389	581	365	335	335r	275	360r	335
Sept.	389	576	364	335	331r	276	357	333
Oct.	389	576p	364	333p	325	273	353p	329p
Nov.	388	574p	365	333p	311	270	342r	321p
Dec.	388	561p	365	332p	304	269r	337p	317p
1954 : Jan.	384	564p	365	331p	305	271	336p	317p

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price index. This index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

## 53. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	Canada	United States	France
	Commonwealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	95	95	112
1947-48	159	173	174	203	175	91	451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	195	194	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	195	186	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	224	211	123†
1951-52	300	243	252	321	229	213	145
1952-53	320r	252	269	320	216	209	141
1952: Aug.	325	251	270	317	218	212	144
Sept.	321	255	270	315	217	211	143
Oct.	314	258	272	319	215	210	140
Nov.	313	256	274	317	216	209	140
Dec.	320r	256	273	320	216	207	140
1953: Jan.	318	251	270	320	216	208	141
Feb.	316r	250	266	316	216	207	139
Mar.	317r	248	265	321	217	208	140
Apr.	322r	247	265	325	214	207	139
May	320	248	267	323	215	208	139
June	321	249	268	322	216	207	139
July	325r	248	268	322	216	210	137
Aug.	335	248	272	319	217	209	137
Sept.	333	248	272	318	216	210	137
Oct.	329p	n.y.a.	273	318	215	208	136
Nov.	321p	n.y.a.	271	320	n.y.a.	208p	137

\* New Series.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

## 54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index †	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	..
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1950 : June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	68
1951 : June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
1951 : December	2401	1056	2964	1836	2100	125
1952 : March	2526	1059	3025	1877	2167	132
June	2727	1089	3098	1997	2284	145
September	2705	1137	3125	2020	2298	146
December	2657	1188	3214	2024	2312	148
1953 : March	2664	1245	3246	2039	2338	151
June	2669	1274	3305	2044	2360	153
September	2758	1287	3276	2039	2388	156
December	2751	1299	3263	2040	2385	156

## (b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns*
1939 : September	933	897	493	914	881	930
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1950 : June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
1951 : June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
1951 : December	2100	2071	2182	2096	2040	2099
1952 : March	2167	2115	2246	2148	2094	2164
June	2284	2231	2360	2277	2228	2281
September	2298	2241	2390	2253	2263	2295
December	2312	2248	2379	2248	2289	2308
1953 : March	2338	2268	2385	2260	2317	2332
June	2360	2283	2397	2292	2354	2354
September	2388	2306	2426	2328	2382	2382
December	2385	2323	2434	2328	2401	2381

\*Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

## 55. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.
	s.		s.		s.		s.
1939: June	82	1943: Feb.	98	1946: Aug.	100	1950: Feb.	135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	1944: Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	Nov.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	1945: Feb.	99	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	May	98	Aug.	120	1952: Feb.	216
Nov.	89	Aug.	98	Nov.	122	May	223
1942: Feb.	91	Nov.	99	1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235
May	93	1946: Feb.	99	May	127	Nov.	237
Aug.	95	May	99	Aug.	130	1953: Feb.	238
Nov.	97			Nov.	132	May	241
						Aug.†	243

Female Wages.—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.	1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.	1952: Feb. 162s.	1953: Feb. 178s. 6d.
	May 135s.	May 167s.	May 180s. 6d.
	Aug. 144s. 6d.	Aug. 176s.	†Aug. 182s.
	Nov. 155s.	Nov. 177s. 6d.	

\* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

† Current March, 1954. In September, 1953, the Commonwealth Arbitration Court abolished quarterly adjustments.

## 56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5151	40.0	40.0
1951 : June	228.6	151.0	4461	5559	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4974	6297	40.0	40.0
1952 : June	270.4	183.1	5277	6739	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7139	40.0	40.0
1953 : Mar.	285.6	194.6	5573	7162	40.0	40.0
June	289.8	196.7	5655	7241	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.1	198.4r	5778	7303r	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7303	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

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